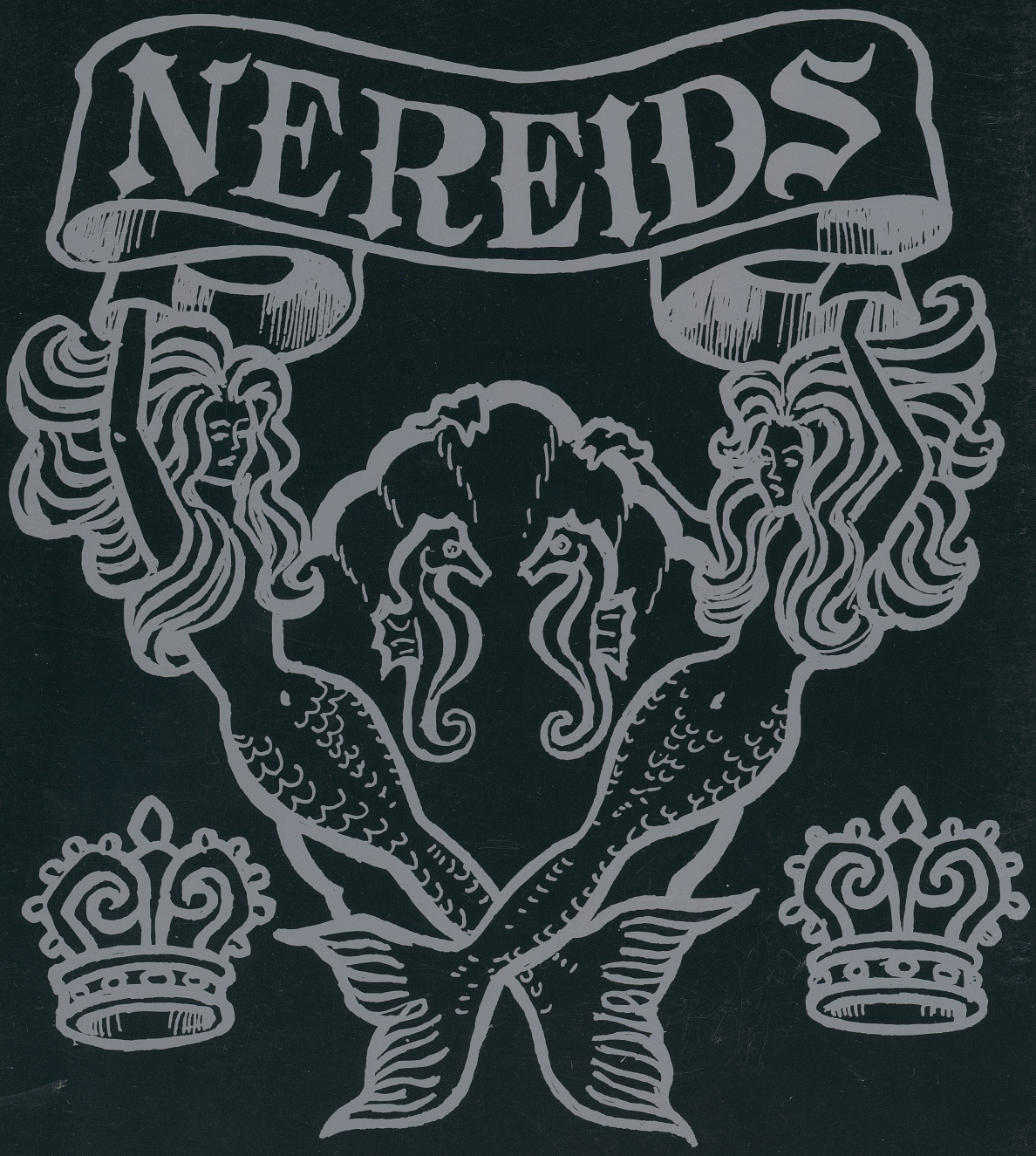

THE KREWE OF NEREIDS

presents

Thirty-Fifth Annual Bal Masque

Saturday Evening ~ February 3, 2001

Mississippi Coast Coliseum

Biloxi, Mississippi

The Krewe of Nereids Presents...

All Aboard the Orient Express

Tonight the members of the Krewe of Nereids invite you to share with them the special joy of celebrating thirty-five years of outstanding accomplishments and achievements. The Captain, Officers, and Krewe members bid you to join them in remembering the many times, the good times, the happy times, when, year after year, Nereids presented splendid pageants of Mardi Gras make-believe.

What better way to commemorate this very special anniversary than by taking a trip aboard the celebrated Orient Express. Just the name evokes excitement, romance, and even intrigue!

The Krewe will embark on the train tonight and take you on a journey through some of Europe's most beautiful cities. The Orient Express will carry you across Europe in the style of a bygone ear. The glamorous carriages, sumptuous cuisine, and personal service beyond comparison, will pamper you in ways you never imagined existed. Enjoy the splendors of gleaming wood, polished brass, soft fluffy towels, and crisp linen. View the panorama of spectacular scenery while you enjoy gourmet food and wine.

Let us begin our exploration of one of the world's most exotic train trips. All aboard the Orient Express for a trip from Paris to Istanbul which will capture your imagination and your heart.

Maestro, if your please!

Our tableaux unfolds...

The Captain's whistle signals the beginning of our Thirty-fifth Annual Spectacular Carnival Ball.

We welcome the Royal Court of 2000 recalling the party spirit of our neighboring state of Louisiana, "It's A Party Every Day!"

All hail their Royal Majesties, our 2000 King and Queen before...

The Scepter Bearer makes a traditional appearance.

Behold the spotting of the Crest of the Krewe of Nereids as a prelude to our celebration.

We begin our celebration this year dreaming of our future as the children of Nereids bring forth the 35th Anniversary Krewe of Nereids Birthday Cake.

Our Krewe Officers step out and extend a "Welcome to the Ball".

The brilliance of Europe and the fairy-tale world of the Ottoman Empire are called to mind as the Captain of the Krewe enters.

The whistle blows at the Paris Gare de l'Est, the original departure station of the Orient Express. Krewe members group themselves on the platform for one last party before the train leaves the station.

The network of silver railway tracks hastens the group across France and into the city of Munich just in time for the celebration of a local Bavarian festival.

After re-boarding the train in early evening, the travelers glide toward Venice, the Queen of the Adriatic, which is celebrating its European tradition of Carnivale. The Krewe joins the revelers as they enter a costume contest before being called in to a puppet show featuring Pinocchio, that mischievous, magical wooden puppet who longs to be a real boy.

As the Orient Express continues its leisurely journey toward Byzantium, Krewe members pause to enjoy

The Presentation of the Royal Court of the Year 2001

The Maids and Dukes of the Royal Court appear representing destinations that have long captured the imaginations of the intrepid travelers aboard the Orient Express:

"The Alpine Glacier of Innsbruck, Austria"

"The Roman Forum"

"Carnivale in Venice"

"The Tower of London"

"The Palace of Versailles"

"The Turkish Mosques"

Hail Queen Doris XXXV, as she reigns as Queen of our magnificent masked ball.

Her Majesty now calls for the Captain to escort...

King Nereus XXXV who bids that his subjects cast away care in the fun of the evening.

Honored Guests are received at the royal throne before...

The Procession of the Royal Court.

The Orient Express begins to slow down on the outskirts of Istanbul, when, on the horizon, the skyline of the mighty mosques appears. As Byzantine Dancers entertain, Krewe members reflect on the splendor of their trip aboard the Orient Express.

Grande Finale

The Krewe of Nereids assembles in celebration of thirty-five years of exceptional entertainment.

The Officers join the Krewe on center stage as they acknowledge the lively Guests of Nereids.

The Captain of the Krewe bids a nostalgic "Farewell" until we all meet again next year at the Krewe of Nereids' 36th Annual Bal Masque Extravaganza!

The Call-Out Dances begin, after which General Dancing adds to the happy excitement of our Mardi Gras Celebration.

The Royal Court of

2001

King Nereus XXXV

Dukes to His Majesty

Mr. Vincent R. Altese, Jr.

Mr. Walter G. Billups

Mr. Ronald J. Artigues, Jr.

Mr. Lloyd N. Nicaud

Mr. Herbert T. Dubuisson, Jr.

Mr. Mark E. Breland

Royal Pages to His Majesty

Alyssa Pagano

S. Tyler Turcotte

Royal Pages to Her Majesty

Alexandria Whitfield

Samantha Bradford

Recollections

1967 - Cavalcade of American Dance
King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy*
1968 - Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel
1969 - Carnival in Rio
King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr.*
1970 - Spirit of America
King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon*
1971 - Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc*
1972 - Three Ring Circus
King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle*
1973 - Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher
1974 - The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman*
1975 - The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson
1976 - Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.
1977 - State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott
1978 - Ooooh La La, Paree!
King Nereus XII - Clifford P. Vogt*
1979 - Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso
1980 - Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, jr.
1981 - Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll
1982 - The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman III
1983 - Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd
1984 - It's A Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex
1985 - Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard*
1986 - It's Mardi Gras Time
King Nereus XX - Harold M. Hitt
1987 - And So It Was...Dixieland
King Nereus XXI - Joseph W. Gex
1988 - Entertainment, U.S.A.
King Nereus XXII - William B. Whitfield
1989 - Let's Rock 'N Roll
King Nereus XXIII - Herbert T. Dubuisson
1990 - Nereids Visits Oz
King Nereus XXIV - Clarence L. Moran
1991 - The Way We Were
King Nereus XXV - R. Terry Markel
1992 - Viva Las Vegas
King Nereus XXVI - Donald Caserta
1993 - Nereids Awards the Oscars
King Nereus XXVII - Armand H. Serpas, Sr.
1994 - The Big Band Era
King Nereus XXVIII - Michael Richardson
1995 - New York, New York
King Nereus XXIX - Dr. Andrew K. Martinolich
1996 - It's A Celebration
King Nereus XXX - Keith A. Ladner
1997 - Nereids Stays Home
King Nereus XXXI - Dr. Allen J. Koskan, Jr.
1998 - Wouldn't It Be Fun
King Nereus XXXII - John Chapman
1999 - City Sounds
King Nereus XXXIII - Henry Martinez
2000 - It's a Party Everyday
King Nereus XXXIV- Jerry Murray

**Deceased*

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Krewe of Nereids Parade

Sunday,
February 18, 2001
1 P.M.
Highway 90,
Waveland